

ENTOMOLOGICAL CABINETS. — I was most interested in the article by R. L. E. Ford on entomological cabinets in *Ent. Record* Vol. 91, pp. 308-310, especially the cabinet mentioned in the penultimate paragraph. I was fortunate enough to purchase this particular cabinet from Mr. Ford at Watkins and Doncaster in 1967, for the sum of £66 (which included repapering!).

The cabinet comprises of 20 drawers in a single tier behind a fully-glazed door, and is made from Spanish mahogany with stained oak lid frames. The overall drawer size is 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 16", the base of each drawer is made of  $\frac{3}{8}$ " solid mahogany and each drawer front is fitted with a brass dummy keyhole giving the impression that each drawer could be locked separately. According to the bill of sale, it was made by Queen Victoria's head carpenter for the head gardener at Osborne House, a Mr. G. Nobbs, and contained his collection of butterflies. As might be expected *Melitaea cinxia* aberrations were well represented, and I remember at least one drawer that contained about 60 little round mirrors with a small piece of cork glued to each. This drawer included many *cinxia* aberrations, and the idea was that both upper and undersides could be viewed with ease in the mirror without having to remove the insect. — A. S. HARMER, 'Covertside', Sway Road, Lymington, Hants, SO4 8MN.

OTHER MIGRANTS ON THE ISLE OF CANNA BESIDES *P. CARDUI* AND *V. ATALANTA*. — During June, *N. noctuella* was noticed on the 11th and 24th, and *P. gamma* on the 11th and 23rd. Moreover, coinciding with this immigration of lepidoptera there has been a remarkable invasion of some kind of siphonophore around our shores. This was first observed by Dr. Morton Boyd and myself around Canna pier on July 8th while waiting to go to Heiskeir. It has become so abundant that beaches are now covered and the nets and lobster pots of fisherman are choked with it. — J. L. CAMPBELL, Isle of Canna, Hebrides.

*CYNTHIA CARDUI* L., *AGLAIS URTICAE* L. AND *VANESSA ATALANTA* L. IN S. DEVON. — At north end of Slapton Sands peak sightings were as follows: *C. cardui*, June 6 (10), August 24 (16), August 31 (17), September 1 (26), September 2 (28), September 3 (18), September 7 (25), September 8 (21), September 14 (10). *A. urticae*, September 1 (22), 2 (26), 3 (20), 4 (12), 7 (28), 8 (63), 11 (12), 14 (16), 17 (17). *V. atalanta*, September 1 (16), 2 (18). — H. L. O'HEFFERNAN, Chillington, Kingsbridge, S. Devon.

MIGRANT DRAGONFLY AT MERCURY VAPOUR LIGHT. — On the 12th August 1979 in the company of numerous lepidopteran migrants I took a solitary specimen of *Aeshna mixta* Latreille at mercury vapour light. The specimen is a well known migrant but unusual in the fact that it approached and entered the Robinson trap. The trap was about two miles inland with a southern aspect in Eastbourne, E. Sussex. — M. HADLEY, Nature Conservancy Council, 19-20, Belgrave Square, London, SW1X 8PY.